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FIREMEN ARE STARTLED

Unidentified Man Discharges Gun in Assembly Room of Columbia Co. House Last Night.

A called meeting of the Columbia Steam Fire Engine Company was held last night. It was in the nature of an indignation meeting at which several members of the organization vented their disapproval of the action of the Fire Committee of the City Council which met on Monday night and elected William Wood engineer of the company in place of J. Frank Pettey. Many members of the organization, it is said, had formulated another program which the committee ignored.

Twenty members responded to the call, most of whom gave expression of their disapprobation of the action of the Council's representatives. The gathering was confronted with the vexatious query, "What are you going to do about it?" and about all that could be done was to—talk the matter over.

About nine o'clock when the air was blue from explotives in no way complimentery to the parties who had rode rough shod over the wishes of virtually all present, the door leading into the assembly room was opened and the loud report of a gun rang out, startling every one present and almost precipitating a stampede. No one would say positively who had discharged the weapon, the load from which had entered the ceiling, making a hole about as large as a billiard ball.

Ten minutes after conditions had resumed the normal and the atmosphere had again become warm, the same individual crept to the door, a second time and another shot, sounding like an explosion of dynamite, followed.

A motion to adjourn was pending at the time, but the assembly did not wait for the question to be put, but made a hasty exit from the room.

No one would say who had discharged the gun, although there were many speculations.

The incident was reported by Engineer Pettey to the police and he furnished a list of all who attended the meeting. Chief Goods is now making an investigation.

SLAIN IN DOCTOR'S OFFICE.

Physician Arrested After Police Doubt Story of Visitor's Suicide.

Erie, Pa., Jan. 25.—Scouting the story that it was a suicide's shot that sent C. H. Woodworth, of Meadville, from the office of Dr. Henry L. Lewis to die in Hamot Hospital, the police have arrested the physician. With the doctor, John F. Fogarty, who was in the office at the time and confirms the physician's story, is held.

Later a woman announcing herself as Mrs. Woodworth, 27 years old and pretty, was arrested at the home of his sister. She admitted having been at Dr. Lewis' office earlier in the evening.

Dr. Lewis, who is 32 years old and a bachelor, called the police and told them that Woodworth entered his office and said his wife had been estranged from him and that he was going to end it all. According to the physician, Woodworth then pulled a revolver from his pocket and shot himself.

After surgeons at the hospital had examined the wound they told the police that the suicide theory was improbable from the location of the wound and the fact that no powder marks were found on the body.

Reports received are to the effect that Woodworth Tuesday displayed a revolver and threatened to shoot Dr. Lewis. It is said the police have two witnesses who will testify that Dr. Lewis shot Woodworth, but that the shooing was in self-defense.

Woodworth was divorced from his first wife, who now resides with her two children in Meadville.

Death Notices.

Died—Monday, January 22, 1917, Alice Warfield, beloved wife of Walter L. Gahan. Funeral from her late residence 522 south Alfred street, Alexandria, Thursday, January 25, at 4 p. m. Relatives and friends invited to attend. 21-2t.

FOR RENT—50 acre truck and poultry far, fine water, healthy location low rent. S. M. Adams, 525 Duke street. 21-3t

FIGHT FOR HIGHER PAY

Senate Expected to Finally Dispose of Question of Increased Clerks' Salaries This Afternoon.

It is exepected the Senate today will definitely dispose of the question of higher pay for the clerks and employes of the Government in connection with the legislative bill This is a matter of interest to a number of government employes who reside in Alexandria.

An understanding has been reached that the legislative bill will be passed this afternoon. Senator Overman will ask a separate vote in the Senate proper on the amendment by Senator Smoot to increase the pay of clerks and employes up to and including the $1,000 grade.

Indications are the Smoot amendment will be retained in the bill. It is known Senator Overman is not hopeful of beating it.

Senator Pomerene is expected to bring up his retirement bill and try to put it on the legislative bill as an amendment. A point of order may be raised against it.

After long discussion yesterday afternoon, over an amendment by Senator Overman, which would give the President, aided by the Bureau of Efficiency, power to wipe out bureaus to avoid duplications, a compromise was adopted.

This provides for an investigation of the feasibility of co-ordinating or abolishing bureaus that duplicate work and a report to the next session of Congress. This will be done mainly by the Bureau of Efficiency.

The subject of retirement of clerks was brought to the front yesterday while the question of economy by avoiding duplications was under discussion. Senator Nelson said, though opposed at first to a civil pension list, he had become convinced needed reforms could not be worked out until some way had been found to take care of superannuated.

ICE JAM IS RELIEVED.

All Danger at Aqueduct Bridge Said to Have Passed.

The down-stream flow of ice which yesterday appeared to threaten the Aqueduct Bridge in Georgetown, has been forced under the structure, and is rapidly being carried away by the current.

Until late yesterday afternoon ice above the bridge was blocked by the piers, except on the Virginia side, where a passage had been opened and ice blocks were being carried down the swiftly flowing current. But on the north side the continual hammering of the tons of ice held up by the supports of the Georgetown span, apparently threatened the structure.

What danger there was has passed however, it is stated, and very little ice remains above the bridge.

There is much floating ice in the river opposite Alexandria at present. It does not interfer with the progress of steamboats, however.

WOMAN HELD UP IN CHURCH.

Assaulted And Robbed by Footpads in Cathedral Vestibule.

New York, Jan. 25.—The vestibule of St. Patrick's Cathedral on Fifth avenue was the scene yesterday of a hold-up. A young woman was about to enter the edifice to join the worshippers within, when two young men seized her, one snatching her purse while the other choked her. They then threw her to the floor and escaped.

After a chase in the street a policeman caught two youths, who said they were Charles S. Ward, of San Francisco, and Edward Malbertson, of New York. They were charged with assault and robbery.

WANTED—Six women to solicit subscriptions for the Alexandria Gazette. Good pay, salary and commission. Please call at Gazette Office and get particulars.

There promises to be plenty of amusement at the Elks' Home on Prince street tonight and as the organization is a charitable one, there should be a good attendance. Euchre and dancing will be on the program. The admission for gentlemen is 50 cents, which permits them to bring a lady. For ladies only, 25 cents. It will open promptly at 8 o'clock. 21-1t.

Alexandria City and Suburbs

Mrs. Frazier Baldwin and little Miss Betty Baldwin left yesterday to join Mr. Baldwin in Ontario, Canada.

A white man was fined $5 in the Police Court this morning for being drunk. This was the only case on the docket.

The Rev. Edward T. Kirkley will take for his subject "Mary Magdalene" at the service in the Methodist Protestant Church at 7:45 o'clock tonight.

The teacher of the Baraca Bible Class of the First Baptist Church will entertain his class tonight in the Young People's Building at 8 o'clock, and not in the Westminster.

Mrs. Victor Lee Emerson, Miss Margaret Emerson and Mrs. Samuel Lunt returned last week to their home in Philadelphia, after spending several weeks in Alexandria.

Sergeant A. L. Uhler, of the Alexandria Light Infantry, who was left in a hospital in Richmond with a sprained knee when the company returned on the 17th, arrived in this city yesterday and is now the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Uhler, at their home in north Washington street.

Mrs. James Alfred Marye died on the night of the 23rd., instant, at her residence in the Prince Karl Apartments, in Washington, D. C. Mrs. Marye was Miss Anna Morris, a daughter of the late Dr. Robert Morris and Mrs. Lucy Marshall Morris, of Philadelphia. She is survived by her husband, one brother, Dr. Henry Morris, of Philadelphia, and two sisters, Mrs. Richard Tinsley, of New York, and Mrs. John Tyler, of Richmond. She was the sister-in-law of Miss Mary Marye, Miss Nannie Marye and Mr. John L. Marye, of this city. The funeral services were held at her late residence in Washington at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon. Interment will be in the Morris family lot in Laurel Hill Cemetery, Philadelphia.

Suits for divorce have been filed in the Circuit Court as follows: Mabel Lloyd Costin against Wm. Custis Costin; Lillian Jones Buchholz against Bruno Buchholz; Viola Kemberger against Louis Kemberger. In each case desertion is alleged as the grounds for which divorce is asked.

A parcel post package was received at the truck house this morning from Philadelphia, addressed to "Colonel Spot Clapdore" the mascot of the fire company. Upon opening the package it was found to contain bones sufficient to delight the heart of any dog.

Those who attend the supper tonight in the Parish Hall of St. Paul's Church to be served from 6 to 9 o'clock by the members of the Rector's Aid Society will undoubtedly be well repaid. The suppers given by these ladies are always well served and "the prooof of the pudding is the eating." Those who attend one year can be counted upon to return the next.

Funeral services for Mrs. Walter L. Gahan were held at 4 o'clock this afternoon from her late home, 522 south Alfred street, with Dr. J. W. Duffey, of the Southern Methodist Church, officiating. The pallbearers were nephews of the deceased, Messrs. James Burroughs, George Burroughs, Edgar Warfield, Jr., George E. Warfield, Arthur Warfield and Dr. Walter A. Warfield. Interment was in Union cemetery.

The funeral of Mrs. Margaret M. Gibson, widow of Dr. William S. Gibson, took place at 10 o'clock this morning from the residence of her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Howell, 700 Duke street. The services were conducted by the Rev. William J. Morton, rector of Christ, Episcopal Church and the interment was in St. Paul's cemetery. The pallbearers were Messrs. Laurence Stabler, C. William Wattles, Edward S. Leadbeater, Richard Wattles, William J. Boothe and Dr. Arthur Snowden.

Rev. E. B. Jackson, pastor of the First Baptist Church, will preach tomorrow night in the Salvation Army Hall. Special mid-winter camp meetings are being held there and will continue for the next two weeks. All are invited to attend the services.

In the Corporation Court today, Harry Hammond was appointed administrator of the estate of James W. Hammond, deceased, and in the same court Robert L. Merchant was appointed administrator of Susan M. Mahone, deceased.

Virginia has been totally without representation in the United States Senate this week and the latter part of last week, owing to illness of Senator Swanson, and illness of Miss Lucy Martin, Senator Martin's daughter. Senator Martin has been absent about two weeks at the bedside of his daughter, who suffered an attack of pneumonia.

In the Circuit Court for the city today in the case of Enoch L. White vs. the New Washington Brick Company the property of the defendant company was ordered to be sold, and Messrs. J. R. Caton, Jr., Levi H. David, Carl J. F. Graff, G. Washington Lewis and Gardner L. Boothe were appointed commissioners to conduct the same. H. Noel Garner, special commissioner, had previously submitted his report.

The funeral of Mrs. George V. Peyton, who died Tuesday evening in Asheville, N. C., took place at 3 o'clock this afternoon from the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wiilliam M. Wright, 211 north Columbus street. The pallbearers were Mr. Harry Standiford, Mr. William M. King, Mr. J. Angus King, Mr. William M. Wright, Mr. M. L. Dinwiddie, and Mr. N. G. Bennett, all cousins and cousins-in-law of the deceased. The services were conducted by the Rev. Edgar Carpenter, rector of Grace Episcopal Church, and burial was in St. Paul's cemetery.

BARONESS A PEARL LOVER.

Wore One $100,000 Necklace And Sold Stock to Buy More.

Menominee, Mich., Jan. 25.—Miss Frank Gray Shaver, in her suit against Baroness May Van Pallandt Van Erde for $125,000, alleged to have been obtained from her by misrepresentation, yesterday related many incidents tending to show, she said, that the Baroness was constantly deceiving her. Miss Shaver related how at Hot Springs the Baroness said she had not been dressing herself very lavishly, and then donned a beautiful purple evening gown and adorned it with a necklace of 100 pearls, said to be worth $100,000 and other expensive jewels.

Miss Shaver said that after nine years' separation they reunited and began to drink intoxicating liquors again, the first time in that period she had indulged. She then told of their trip abroad. While at London the Baroness acted as purseholder for the party, according to Miss Shaver. There Miss Shaver gave her $1500 in cash, she said, and $14,000 in Westinghouse stock, which she asserted the Baroness sold to buy pearls.

Numerous postcards and letters from the Baroness to Miss Shaver told of the interest she felt in her.

Provision Rejected.

Washington, Jan. 25. — For the second time since it began consideration of railroad legislation to supplement the Adamson law, the Senate Interstate Commerce Committee yesterday declined to approve a provision suggested by President Wilson, prohibiting a strike or lockout.

The vote was 10 to 5, with three Democrats — Senators Underwood, Smith, of South Carolina, and Thompson—voting with the Republicans in the negative.

FISH DAY TOMORROW—Fresh Shad, Large Roe Herring, Spanish Mackeral, Steak Halibut, Sea Bass, Fresh Haddock, Winter Shad, Jersey Trout, Lake Trout, Large Oysters. Sanitary Fish Market Stall No. 2, City Market. Phone 735. Open until 5 P. M. 22-1t.

MAY TAKE STUMP FOR PEACE.

President Considers Speaking Tour in Behalf of World League Project.

President Wilson is understood to have under consideration going before the country in a series of speaking engagements for the purpose of converting public opinion to a support of his ideas regarding a world league to enforce peace.

The President is said to feel that a united public approval in this country of the plan which he had laid before the Senate on Monday is essential to its success. He realizes, it is stated, that he has laid himself open to criticism and desires to meet that criticism.

Should he decide to follow this course, it is thought probable that he will arrange to make an extended tour of the country after Congress adjourns, much after the fashion of his tour last winter in behalf of preparedness legislation.

Alexandria City Directory.

W. H. Forbes, representing the Hill Directory Company of Richmond, Va., is in the city on the preliminary work for publishing the Alexandria City Directory for this year. This company has published the Alexandria Directory for several years and bespeaks the co-operation of the merchants and business men of Alexandria.

Don't Miss Biggest Event of the Season.

Euchre—Dance—Elks' Home, auspices B. P. O. Elks No. 758, Thursday, January 25, 1917. Good Time. —Good Music. Euchre starts promptly 8 p. m. in Rathskeller. Dance 8:30 in Auditorium. Ladies and Gentlemen 50c. Ladies 25c. Committee—Ervin Geo. Schwarzmann, Chairman; Walter M. Donnelly, John D. Normoyle.

St. Paul's Rector's Aid Society Supper, Parish Hall, Thursday, January 25, from 6 to 9 o'clock. Tickets 35 cents. 20-3t.

VIRGINIA NEWS

G. P. Williams, of Richmond, traveling salesman for a tobacco company, who left Wincheter yesterday afternoon in a motor car for Harrisonburg, was injured near Mount Jackson, when, in attempting to pass another car, the rear wheels of his runabout skidded, the car turning completly over and falling on Williams. The occupants of the passing car extricated Williams, who was cut and bruised. A knee was severely injured. He was taken to Harrisonburg.

Wilton Strickler had to have his right foot amputated a day or two ago as a result of slipping and falling into a concrete mixer at Winchester. His foot was caught and tightly wedged between knives and grinders. The man suffered great pain for half an hour before workmen could unbolt part of the machinery. In the meantime, Strickler gave directions as to how to do the work and appeared to be the calmest of all.

Democrats of the House ways and means committee yesterday approved a subcommittee's draft of the administration revenue bill, and a caucus of the House majority was called for tomorrow night to consider the measure. By specific provision it is entitled a bill to provide revenue on account of the army and navy. It puts into a special "preparedness fund" not only $222,000,000 of revenue to be collected from the excess profits tax and increased rates on transfers of estates, but includes $130,000,000 out of the revenue to be collected under the emergency revenue law of last year.

Miss Margaret Linn and Master Robert Armstrong were awarded the prize in the contest dance at the meeting of the Wednesday afternoon dancing class.

Select Crabs and Clams at Jacob Brill's Restaurant, Foot of King street.

When in Washington and hungry, stop at Schneider's Restaurant 12th street opposite Raleigh.

RICHMOND IS IN FIGHT

Uses Arguments For Placing Armor Plant in That City Which Apply Equally to Alexandria.

Continuing the effort to secure for Richmond the $11,000,000 armor-plate plant soon to be erected by the Navy Department, a committee of citizens, headed by Coleman Wortham, president of the Chamber of Commerce, presented to Secretary Daniels, in Washington, yesterday a supplementary brief, citing reasons why the new plant should be located in Richmond, in addition to those contained in the statement submitted last September.

"Richmond respectfully presents this request because the report of the general board of the navy has changed the question of the location of this plant from one of raw material, freight rates, labor supply and geological national safety and national efficiency." explains the brief submitted yesterday. "If the Atlantic seaboard be not safe, a nation insistent upon defense has been deceived in its expectations. If the Atlantic seaboard be not safe, it must be rendered safe without delay. And in this the entire nation is vitally and immediately interested."

After having rested its case last fall with the presentation of a statement of its natural advantages as a site for the new armor-plate plant, Richmond saw its chances practically demolished by the ruling of the general board of the navy, declaring it, with other cities on the seaboard, to be in danger of capture in time of war. The principle of the board is that no depot or manufacturing plant for military supplies "should be established or maintained east of the Appalachian Mountains, west of the Cascade or Sierra Nevada Mountains, nor within 200 miles of our Canadian or Mexican borders."

In answer to the objection, the supplementary brief says:

"The general board of the navy would not, we take it, be willing to admit the probability of the simultaneous occupation of all this territory by an energy. But where defense is declared, impracticable, invasion is possible by a combination of enemies, and conditions might arise in which, were this principle sound, thirty-three States of the Union might be occupied in whole or in part by enemy armies."

Alexandria is also in the fight to stay, and the arguments used in behalf of Richmond apply equally to our city.

CHURCH CHORAL UNION.

Organized by Members of the City Choirs.

Over fifty of the members of the different church choirs of the city met on Sunday evening in the Westminster Building and started what is hoped will develop into a permanent choral union.

Mr. Colin Clarke White, the director of the choir of Christ Protestant Episcopal church, conducted the chorus, with Mr. Sherman Bruce Fowler at the piano. An evening of sacred song will be given in St. Paul's Protestant Episcopal Church Monday, February 19th, and it is hoped all singers will respond promptly so a well balanced chorus of at least one hundred will sing at this service.

Rehearsals will be held each Monday evening from 7:45 to 10 o'clock in the Westminster Building and the members of all choirs are cordially invited.

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Notice Annual Meeting

The regular annual meeting of the Stockholders of the Fidelity Storage Company will be held at its office 122 south Fairfax street, Alexandria, Virginia, Wednesday February 14th, at 3 o'clock.
22-12t P. H. SMYTH, Secretary.

CITIZENS ORGANIZE

To Work for Local Improvements in Braddock Heights and Vicinity at Largely Attended Meeting.

The citizens of Braddock Heights and vicinity held a meeting last night at the residence of Mr. David N. Rust, for the purpose of forming a permanent organization to work for local improvements such as streets, sidewalks, lights, sewerage system, etc. The association was organized under the name of Braddock Heights Citizens' Association. Mr. G. Washington Lewis was elected President, Mr. W. N. Linsey, Secretary and Treasurer, and the executive committee is composed of Messrs. H. B. Cooper, Wm. R. Stone, Orlando H. Kirk, J. M. Peake and W. C. Nalle.

The meeting was very largely attended, there being about 25 residents present, and much interest was manifested. The need of local improvements in and around Braddock Heights was discussed at length and it was determined that the association would meet once each month, some time previous to the meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Alexandria county.

The executive committee has charge of preparing the constitution and by laws to report upon at the next meeting, and they will also at that time make a report on the amount of tax receipts from Jefferson District in Alexandria county and the manner in which the same is disbursed.

The Gazette desires to compliment the citizens of Braddock Heights upon this very commendable exhibition of enterprise on their part in working for modern improvements for their community. It is the proper spirit and deserves success.

OFFICERS CHOSEN.

For the Second Baptist Church And Sabbath School.

George K. Bender has been re-elected superintendent of the Second Baptist Church Sunday School for the twelfth consecutive year The other officers are: J. A. Hulfish, assistant; Raymond Simms, second assistant; E. L. Cornnell, third assistant; C. B. Bender, secretary; J. C. Bowie, assistant; Mrs. J. A. Hulfish, treasurer; Miss Louise Bender, pianist; Miss Elsie Cornwell, assistant.

The annual election of officers of the church resulted as follows: Board of Deacons: G. K. Bender. H. W. Kerrick, J. E. Mills, W. C. Dameron, A. L. Howard, C. A. Purvis, J. C. Perry, E. L. Cornnell; Clerk, Raymond Simms; treasurer, J. A. Hulfish; financial secretary, H. W. Kerrick, assistant, J. C. Bowie; chairman finance committee, W. C. Dameron; organist, Mrs. Elsie Mueller, assistant, Mrs. J. L. Kimball; chorister, A. L. Jones.

ARRANGING CELEBRATION.

In Honor of the Fifteenth Anniversary of Alexandria Lodge of Elks.

Elaborate preparations are being made for the reunion and banquet to be held in observance of the fifteenth anniversary of the the institution of Alexandria Lodge, No. 758 Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, which will take place on the evening of Monday, February 12th, at their Home on Prince street. The committee in charge of the affair is composed of Dr. Thomas B. Cochran, Ervin George Schwarzmann, James B. Martin and George W. Bontz, Exalted Ruler. An effort will be made to induce members of the lodge residing in other cities to attend and participate in the interesting program which is in course of preparation.

Halibut, mackeral, sea-bass, spring shad, trout, lake trout, winter shad, and a few pair mallard ducks, also fresh herring, on sale by Geo. E. Price and Co., City Market, Phone 321J. 22-1t.

NOTICE—All persons holding claims for debt against the estate of the late Susan E. Mahone will immediately file said claim with R. L. Merchant, Administrator, 126 north Pitt street. 22-10t

See Linton, at Blondheim's old stand, City Market, for meats, Autk's Provisions, etc.

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MISTAKEN LENIENCY.

Supposing the situation had been reversed—if it is possible to conceive of an American so lost to a sense of the properties—and our consul general at Frankfort, for example, had been guilty of conspiring to blow up Krupp's, and otherwise to violate the laws of the country to which he was accredited. A life sentence, at least would have been the penalty for his crimes and that of his associates. Consul-General Bopp, of San Francisco, therefore, is in great luck that his sentence is limited to a two-year term in prison and a fine of $10,000 three attaches of the consulate receiving similar punishment.

As the Richmond Journal observes, it is too bad that summary proceedings were not taken against those two original arch-plotters against our neutrality laws, Captains Boy-Ed and Von Papen, whose guilt was thoroughly established, yet who, owing to their more influential standing at Washington, escaped with dismissal. Each was merely pronounced non persona grata and, his usefulness ended, was retired to Germany. The Journal, continuing, says our belief is that a vigorous prosecution and stiff sentence, following conviction, would have had a salutary effect on other German officials in this country given to criminal plotting in a mistaken idea that they were helping the cause of the Fatherland. Of course, they were not; they were merely bringing their country into disrepute and serving to augment the feeling of irritation which the tactless conduct of Germany has engendered ever since Belgium was invaded. In preparedness, in efficiency, in fighting qualities, in strategy, the Germans have set high standards, but when it comes to an exhibition of sound common sense, they appear to be lacking. They persistently do the wrong things and in the crudest way. It seems to be confined to no individual, it is a national shortcoming, apparently. We think Conspirators Bopp and witless associates should have had harder punishment than that given them, but it will do. If Boy-Ed and Von Papen had been dealt with according to their deserts, however, the San Francisco consul and his kind might have seen a great light. The error was in allowing them to go scot free of their sins. It encouraged other smaller-bore sinners to be similarly irrational and inept.

THE COST OF MILITARISM

When Bismark was at his zenith and the annual budgets were presented to the German Reichstag, a large percentage of the people were disappointed when they studied the figures the iron chancellor suggested for armaments. At times he was interrogated as to the real necessity for such colossal expenditures, the tax-payer living in hopes that the sum demanded for armaments would eventually be reduced. His reply was alway laconic, but to the point—the nation should always be on a war footing.

The Teutons, led on by war lords, for many years, are now reaping what they have sown, and while bringing distress to themselves they are about to bankrupt civilization.

There was a significant dispatch in the papers this morning. It stated that Austria was about to seize private property in order to fight off national bankruptcy.

The Washington Herald in commenting upon the desperate conditions now facing the belligerents says: Germany, facing a war debt unparalleled in the world's history—the interest of which alone is larger than her entire annual budget of 1913—may be forced to advocate disarmament, or a limitation of armament, when Europe lays down its arms.

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Great Britain, her imperial finances strained to a danger point suggestive of their condition in the Napoleonic era, may well be dismayed at a future which holds out only the prospect of greater armies and greater navies.

To drive Europe into bankruptcy is to mortgage civilization itself. International finance may survive the drain of this war, but it is certain that the war debt that will burden the backs of the coming generation, if coupled to increasing appropriations for mighty armaments for Europe to continue as an armed camp, will be beyond the capacity of civilization.

Finance ministers in the belligerent nations today are privately admitting their despair over the prospect. They see few new sources of taxation, no way to escape the almost complete impoverishment of individual and corporate wealth in their nations. They will become the most powerful advocates of limited armament, along with the bankers, the taxpayers, the "plain people" who must foot the bill and pay the price of imperialistic and nationalistic ambition.

The continuance of militarism—meanng by that word the competition between world powers in armaments—will appeal to the peoples of Europe, when the war ends, as a piece of monstrous folly. Even in Germany the reaction is coming. It is hideously impracticable from the financial point of view, unless Europe wants to head straight for the abyss.

CITY IMPROVEMENTS.

City Engineer Charles E. Bolling stated before the Richmond Council Commiittee on Finance last night that not until the city charter is changed so as to compel the property owner to bear some part of the expense on public improvements, especially those on streets and alleys, will there be any let up in the incessant clamor for paving here and sidewalks there, and for sewers, gas and water mains. The city's revenues and bond issues will never accomplish what all would like to see done and what people are demanding.

A few years ago this issue caused a division in the Alexandria City Council. Some good citizens, animated by the best motives, believed that all such expenditures should be paid out of the general fund. It subsequently became apparent to the majority of the voters of the city that such a course is impracticable, since which time the cost of such improvements has been met in part by persons whose property abuts on streets receiving new paving, sewers, etc.

BEWARE OF PNEUMONIA.

Forty-five deaths from pneumonia have occurred in Richmond so far in this month. For the entire month of January, 1916, there was a total of forty-eight deaths from the same cause. Officials of the health department has republished a long list of "dont's" at this season when pneumonia, influenza and grip prevail.

Fifteen white adults have died in Alexandria during the present month from different maladies. This is about the average for this period.

Some time ago the Gazette went over the mortuary list for the month of January during the ten preceding years. It was found that the average was one death every other day during that month.

January and February are months dreaded by many, especially the aged and infirm. Care should be taken by all during this uncertain season.

RAIDER IDENTIFIED, REPORT.

Believed Former Hamburg-American Liner, Cap Ortegal.

Buenos Aires, Jan. 25.—Dispatches from Montevideo today, on reliable information, that the German former Hamburg-American liner raider has been identified as the Cap Ortegal. The same source was authority for the statement that the Cap Ortegal is known to have transformed two of her prizes into auxiliary raiders.

How identification of the raider was made did not appear in the Montevideo dispatches. The Cap Ortegal formerly was engaged in European trade between Buenos Aires and Hamburg. It is known she was in Hamburg at the outbreak of the war.

FIND LIVING MAN IN COAL.

Buried an Hour in Hopper, Then Dumped Into Engine Tender.

Houghton, Mich., Jan. 25.—Carl Harju, who was buried more than an hour yesterday in a coal hopper containing soft coal, was discovered when a locomotive stopped for coal and Harju was shot into the tender of the engine. He was unconscious, but doctors say he will recover. Harju had been dumping coal cars into the pocket at Mill Mine Junction.

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INVENTORY BARGAINS

Before taking our Annual Inventory, we desire to close out certain lines of merchandise—and in order to do so quickly—the prices have been cut below cost on many lines, we will advertise in the Gazette from day to day the many good bargains to be found here during this clearance sale.

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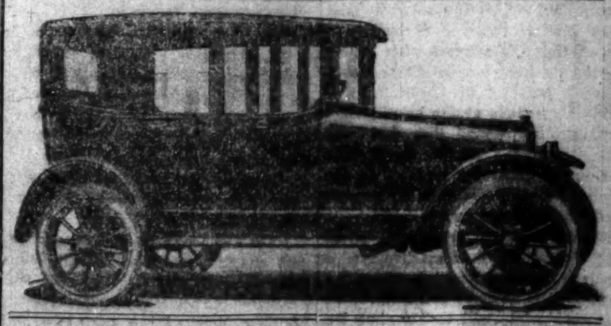

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

All passenger traffic between the United States and France may be suspended shortly. Reports were current in shipping circles in New York yesterday that all the passenger liners operated by the French Line would be commandeered by the French government upon their arrival at Bordeaux.

Engaged to a convalescent patient to whom he had given a diamond ring, alleged to have been stolen from an interne, and planning to marry with a wedding ring taken from the finger of a corpse in the dead-house of the Franklin Square Hospital, Baltimore, Charles Gastinger, an orderly, was held for court on two larceny charges yesterday. His fiancee, Mrs. Edna Martnick, whom he met while she was confined to the institution, denounced him before his accusers.

Norris Flood, the 9-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. John T. Flood, of Washington, who struck a pine splinter in his eye on Tuesday night, died last night.

Salvatore Zurica, 24 years old, one of several witnesses upon whose testimony the police say Michael Roffano, former deputy street cleaning commissioner, was indicted for complicity in the murder two years ago of Michael Galmari, a political opponent, was shot down in a street in Brooklyn last night and died soon afterward.

Three important developments marked the aftermath yesterday of President Wilson's appeal for an international league to enforce world peace. They were: Indorsement by the German Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Wilson peace plan. The ordering by Secretary of State Lansing of a probe of the circumstances surrounding the deportation of Belgians by their Teuton conquerors. The development of a stubborn opposition in Congress to any move that will serve to indorse President Wilson's propaganda for a cessation of international hostilities.

Champ Clark, Speaker of the House, declared last night that there would be no extra session of the Sixty-fourth Congress.

The largest fortification appropriation bill ever introduced in Congress was reported yesterday to the House. Its items aggregate more than $60,000,000. The total budget for the fortifications is $51,376,593, but in addition thereto there are authorizations for contracts aggregating $9,459,000. The total appropriation exceeds that for the current fiscal year by approximately $23,000,000.

Field Marshal von Mackensen's crossing of the lower arm of the Danube near the Dobrudia port Tulcea ended in disaster yesterday. Tuesday afternoon the Berlin war office was able to announce that the new positions were held against a strong Russian attack. Yesterday it was forced to admit that the north bank of the Danube's Georgief branch "has again been abandoned." More detailed is the account given by Petrograd. A nocturnal surprise attack, the Czar's high command reports, virtually annihilated the Bulgarian battalion which had crossed the stream. Five officers and 332 men were taken prisoners and four machine guns were captured The Russians only lost one officer and forty-one men.

One man was killed and nine passengers were injured yesterday afternoon when passenger train No. 3, on the Nickel Plate Railroad, west bound, split a switch at Euclid, five miles east of Cleveland, and crashed into a freight train standing on the siding. The engine of the passenger train, a through train from New York, rolled down a 20-foot embankment. The baggage car turned over and caught fire. The seven other coaches kept the rails.

The presidents of the parliaments of the central powers, who have been in conference in Berlin, have decreed that "victory must be bought at any sacrifice." A manifesto to this effect has been issued in all the countries of the German allies. Andrew Bonar Law, British Chancellor of the Exchequer, yesterday spoke in the same spirit of the allies.

Tad Limbocker, 40, who tried to kill himself by forcing a four-inch spike into his skull, was believed to be dying yesterday in Chanute, Kan. Limbocker held the spike with its point against his scalp, then butted a door casing, driving the nail into his skull with such force that pliers had to be used to pull it out.

A bombshell fell in the Navy Department yesterday when a dispatch from London announced that the British admiralty had refused to permit Hadfields, Ltd., to accept the contract awarded them by Secretary Daniels for sixteen and fourteen inch projectiles.

MAY BUILD STEEL PLANT.

Possibility of Government Erecting One Intimated in Orders Issued by Daniels.

Secretary Daniels's war on private munition manufacturers may lead to the building of a government steel plant along the lines of the proposed projectile and armor-plate plants, it was cleanly indicated Tuesday in supplemental orders issued by the secretary to the members of the armor-plant board, to devise means of reducing the cost of the government's war supplies.

Admiral Fletcher and other high officers constituting the board were advised by Secretary Daniels to keep before them the proposition of the need for a government steel plant when they consider proposed sites for the armor-plate plant. The armor-plate board is now mapping out its itinerary for inspections of sites. Secretary Daniels believes that if a steel plant should be authorized it should be located near the projectile works, as an important factor in reasonable production cost.

"If it is found that we are compelled to erect a steel plant, it will be on the same site with the projectile and armor-plate plants," the secretary said. "Placing the three plants together would insure great economics in the building and defense of the plants."

VIRGINIA NEWS

Five war vessels running without lights and believed to have been British and French cruisers were sighted 30 miles off the mouth of the Chesapeake Bay Monday night by officers of the American steamship Mooremack. According to Captain Beveridge he was first apprised of the presence of the cruisers when he nearly ran one of them down. Although dark he managed to distinguish from the bridge that it had four funnels. Another vessel some distance away promptly flooded him with a searchlight and shortly after 3 o'clock more warships of similar type were seen.

The three Fisher boys who were charged with shooting and killing Joseph Peoples at a "Holy Roller" Church on Cripple Creek, in Wythe county, last July were found not guilty yesterday. Self-defense was the plea of the defendants. Fred Fisher, 16 years old, admitted on the witness stand that he killed Peoples. He said he shot at him three times, two shots taking effect, one in the head and one in the chest. Leck Fisher was shot three times, supposedly by Peoples.

W. W. Osborne, of Orange county, and Julian Morris, a show ring exhibitor of Campbell, who were indicted recently in Staunton, for the larceny of 22 head of horses from Whitmore Brothers, of Harrisonburg, and James Campbell, of Greenville, have been acquitted in the Corporation Court at Staunton.

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RIVER IMPROVEMENT.

Congress Passes Virginia Appropriation of Harbors Committee.

For continuing the improvement and for the maintenance of the James river project, the house of representatives, in committee of the whole Tuesday approved the appropriation of $56,000 for this year recommended by its committee on rivers and harbors.

Other Virginia items approved were: Norfolk harbor and channels, $270,000 for continuing improvement; Mattaponi and Pamunkey rivers and Occoquan and Aquia creeks, for maintenance, $5,000; Rappahannock river, for maintenance, $10,000; Pagan river, for completing improvement, $25,000; Nansemond river, for maintenance, $6,000; Appomattox river, for maintenance, $10,000, and for completion of the diversion channel at Petersburg, $40,000—in all $50,000; Tangier channel, for completing improvement; $16,434; watreway from Norfolk, Va., to Beaufort inlet, N. C., for continuing improvement $1,000,000 (permitting the secretary of war to modify the route under conditions and not allowing more than $75,000 to be expended in acquiring the necessary right of way between Albemarle sound and Pungo river), and waterway between Chincoteague bay, Va., to Delaware bay at or near Lewes, Del., for maintenance, $1,000. Excluding the last two items amounting to $1,001,000, which are shared by the state with North Carolina and Delaware, Virginia receives $448,434.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

Troop movements preliminary to withdrawal of the American expedition from Mexico are being carried out at the southern extremity of the American line, under War Department orders, and as soon as they are complete the main body of the expedition probably will start north.

The Senate last night accepted the Smoot amendment to the legislative, executive and judicial bill. The Smoot amendment provides for a 15 per cent increase in salary for employes receiving $480 or less annually and 10 per cent for employes receiving between $480 and $1,000. The vote on the measure was 36 to 27 in favor of its substitution for the 5 and 10 per cent increases granted by the House. When the bill goes to conference, after its passage today, the general understanding is that the 5 and 10 per cent increases granted by the House, affecting employes up to the $1,800 grade, will be accepted by the Senate conferees and written into the bill. These increases will put $25,000,000 annually into the pockets of more than 200,000 Federal employes. Ten Democrats voted for the Smoot amendment, despite recommendation of the Senate Appropriations Committee, and three Republicans refused to support the amendment.

With a pine stick protruding from his eye, Norris Flood, 5-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. John T. Flood, of 1010 Fifth street northeast, Washington, was picked up in an unconscious condition near his home yesterday afternoon and taken to the Casualty Hospital. He is still unconscious and little hope is held out for his recovery. The boy was playing with the stick when he fell. Dr. F. T. Chamberlain, Jr., who treated him, said the stick just missed the eyeball and entered his head for a distance of about two inches, probably entering the brain cavity.

A Russian army "surprise," a powerful, long-range gun designed for the particular purpose of raising havoc behind the hostile battle front, is the sensation of the day in Petrograd. The gun was first brought into play a few days ago in the region of the Volhynian stronghold of Kovel, and dispatches from the front tell of the unprecedented destructive effect of the new monsters. A whole row of warehouses behind the German lines, containing vast stores of supplies and shells accumulated for the winter campaign were literally battered to atoms, a series of terrific explosions being plainly audible in the Russian position, despite the great distance. Military experts in Petersburg expect the new guns to revolutionize bombardment tactics within the next few months.

FOOD SWINDLING.

Woman Has Skyrocket Career in Berlin—Trapped by Police.

Berlin, Jan. 24.—A gigantic scheme in food swindling has just been uncovered through arrest of Frau Kupfer and her daughter by police yesterday. Berlin's first citizens, it is now revealed, have been swindled out of millions of marks in a story of financing and manipulations that rivals fiction.

Frau Kupfer came from Leipzig at the start of the war, and borrowed 400 marks ($92,) with which she opened a small office. She purchased artificial honey, and later resold at a great profit. It was but short time until she had 10,000 marks ($2,300), and this she invested in other food products, reselling them at extravagant prices.

Her fascinating manners gained her hundreds of thousands of marks from investors, and she finally organized a 10,000,000 mark ($2,200,000) concern. Almost unbelievable dividends were paid by this great company. Frau Kupfer forged contracts for army food, and as her business grew she established a smuggling concern. Her headquarters in Berlin were always filled with food.

This the rich people of Berlin bought willingly at extortionate prices. Hotels bid for a chance to purchase her products. Frau Kupfer began quietly obtaining enormous sums on promises for future delivery. Then she was trapped by the police.

Careful search was being made today for a man coworker of the fascinating Frau Kupfer.

The Berlin Vossische Zeitung declared today:

"Berlin's first citizens have been swindled out of millions of marks. The number of creditors grow hourly."

TO DISCUSS PEACE PROPOSALS.

Cummins Resolution Proposing Week of Debate on Wilson's Address Comes up in Senate.

Opportunity for open discussion of President Wilson's peace address will come in the Senate today through consideration of a resolution by Senator Cummins proposing that all of next week be set aside for full debate on the subject.

Whatever may be done with the resolution eventually, before the day is over there probably will be many speeches voicing the favorable and unfavorable opinions of the President's course expressed in cloakrooms and corridors of the Capital since yesterday.

While Administration spokesmen say there is no desire to prevent free discussion in the Senate, there will be determined opposition to any protracted talk that would interfere with progress on the legislation which every effort is being made to dispose of before the end of the present session. Senator Stone, in opposing immediate consideration of the Cummins resolution, declared that to set aside a week for speeches and opinions was out of the question.

So far as any further step in the movement for peace is concerned, the President is understood to feel that there is nothing to be done at this time. He has submitted to the Senate and, through American diplomats abroad, to the world the foundations on which he considers any lasting peace must be based, and the conditions under which he believes the United States would join in a world league to preserve peace in the future. Now he waits for the verdict, not only from the nations at war, but from his own countrymen, who he knows, hold divided opinions on the subject.

The Rev. J. R. Walker, of Wytheville, died yesterday in a hospital at Charlottesville. He was a native of Bland county and was 60 years old.

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COMMISSIONER'S SALE.
S. H. LUNT, Auctioneer.

Saturday, January 27, 1917.

By virtue of a decree of the Circuit Court of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, entered on the 16th day of November, 1916, in the chancery cause of Edgar B. Tyzell, et als, vs The Capital City Telephone Company, et. als., the undersigned Commissioner will offer for sale, at public auction, to the highest bidder, in front of the premises, No. 309 King Street, on Saturday, the 27th day of January, 1917, at twelve o'clock the following described property of the Capital City Telephone Company, to-wit: The entire plant, consisting of the switchboard and central office system, situated at No. 309 King Street, in the City of Alexandria, Virginia, and the poles, wires and overhead telephone system now owned by the said Company, within the City and County of Alexandria, and Fairfax County, and the exclusive right to use, for exchange purposes, within the said City and Counties, the United States patents, Nos. 423, 768, 562, 013, 102,011, 010, 009; and any other patent rights, tools, machinery and property of all sorts, belonging to the said Telephone Company, and all other personal property now owned by the said Company and not herein described. Also all legal rights and privileges belonging to the said Company by virtue of contracts now existing between the Company and persons or corporations using, or expecting to use, its telephone system.

Terms of Sale: 1-3 of the purchase money to be paid in cash, and the residue in two installments at six and twelve months from the date of sale, title to be retained until the full purchase price is paid: or the purchaser may pay the whole of the purchase money in cash.

SAMUEL G. BRENT,
Commissioner.

I, Nevell S. Greenaway, Clerk of the aforesaid Court, do certify that Samuel G. Brent, Commissioner in the aforementioned suit, has executed the bond as required by the decree of sale entered in said suit.

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41 YEARS IN LONELY CELL.

Now Jesse Pomeroy Will be Treated Like Other Prisoners.

Boston, Jan. 25.—Jesse Pomeroy, who has been for 41 years in solitary confinement in the State prison at Charles Town, was granted equal privileges with other prisoners by the State Executive Council yesterday.

Convicted of murder at the age of 15 years Pomeroy two years later was locked up in a cell lighted from a window in the ceiling so that he might not gaze on his fellow men. He was exercised apart from other prisoners and barred, as far as possible, from human companionship.

Two years ago the sentence was enforced less rigorously to accord with modern ideas of prison reform. Pomeroy was allowed more opportunities for exercise in the prison yard and was permitted to attend church services twice on Sundays, sitting apart from the other men.

Now, at the age of 57 years, Pomeroy will move into a cell where he can see passersby, will be allowed to exercise with other prisoners, sit with them at the church services and at the prison entertainments and will be given such light work in the prison shops as his somewhat enfeebled health will permit. Governor McCall announced last night that he approved the commutation.

Pomeroy was convicted of the brutal murder of two children following a series of degenerate acts which had terrorized the South Boston and Dorchester districts of this city. He was sentenced to be hanged, but because of his youth the sentence was commuted to life imprisonment.

On September 7, 1876, he was placed in his solitary cell at the Charles Street Jail. But he did not not drop out of the public eye. Reports of sensational attempts to escape, carried through with patient ingenuity rarely found outside of fiction, became public at frequent intervals. His mother, until her death two year's ago, never relaxed her effort to secure his pardon and was allowed to visit him regularly.

When Pomeroy began his sentence he was poorly educated. Now he can read in seven languages and is studying Arabic. His last known attempt to escape was four years ago. Since then he has been diligently studying law, as it bears on his case.

Beyond his attempt to break through steel and brick to freedom he has been, on the whole, his keepers say, a quiet and model prisoner.

MUST NOT MISLEAD RECRUITS.

Militia Bureau Warns Officers Of National Guard.

National Guard officers have been warned by the War Department against any attempt at coercion or any misrepresentation in recruiting. The Militia Bureau has issued a circular pointing out that the law plainly requires that applicants for enlistment be informed that the enlistment contract shall be for three years in the active service and three years in the reserve.

"No officer has a right to give assurance of discharge prior to the expiration of six years' service so prescribed," the circular adds, "except where under the terms of that section credit is given for the period already served under an old enlistment contract."

Mobilization of the guard for border service developed that many enlisted men claimed to have been assured they would not be held in the service to the limit of their enlistment period if they desired release.

VIRGINIA NEWS

American muleteers who escaped death when the British steamer Russian was torpedoed several weeks ago, stated on their arrival yesterday at Newport News that the ship was torpedoed without warning. No one was killed when the Russian was struck, the cattlemen said. Every member of the crew took to the lifeboats, the capsizing of one of which cost the lives of twenty-seven men. The men say that the ship without the slightest warning, was struck by a torepdo about dusk. The Russian, they say, remained afloat for forty-eight hours after being hit.

Rev. John Randolph Walker, aged sixty-six, of Wytheville, for forty years a minister of the Methodist Episcopal Church South, for the of his retirement, last November, a member of the Holston Conference, died yesterday in Charlottesville.

A general tightening up in the enforcement of the recently enacted dog ordinance is expected to result from the damage wrought by two dogs, which attacked five persons last night in Danville, four being actually bitten. Mrs. Greenhow Maury was thrown down by a brindle hound, which tore off her shoe and lacerated her ankle, while she was walking home along Main street.

Rev. W. H. D. Harper, D. D., former presiding elder of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, for the Baltimore, East Baltimore and Winchester districts and well-known throughout Virginia and Maryland, died yesterday in Roanoke, aged 70 years. He was ordained in 1868 and had served many important charges, including St. Paul's and Trinity Churches, Baltimore; churches in Winchester and Harrisonburg, and Greene Memorial Church, Richmond.

TO PRODUCE RECORDS.

Stock Exchange Governors Yield When "Leak" Committee Threatens To Use Force.

New York, Jan. 24.—Confronted with a threat by the House Rules Committee in charge of the "leak" inquiry to force the production of brokers' records if not produced voluntarily, the board of governors of the New York Stock Exchange requested last night every member of the exchange to make available for the committee the desired data. The records sought cover the period from December 10 to December 23, during which time, it is alleged, persons in possession of advance information on the President's peace note made huge profits in the stock market.

The action of the board followed notice given to the Rules Committee during its session here yesterday that action on the committee's request for the production of the brokers' accounts, including the "real names" of customers who dealt in the market during the period mentioned and the extent of their operations on either side of the account had been postponed.

Surprised and indignant over the action of the board, the committee advised H. G. S. Noble, president of the exchange, who, accompanied by counsel, brought news of the postponement, that it would not modify its request in any manner. If the board had any suggestions of modification. Noble was told, the committee would receive them; but if it failed to obtain the production of the desired accounts, the committee would exercise its power and force each broker individually to produce them. Prompt compliance by the board of governors, the committee made clear, was desired.

PREPARI... IKE.

Germany Will Endeavor to Restore Decreasing Military Prestige.

London, Jan. 24.—Germany is preparing to strike heavy blows on both land and sea, says the Amsterdam correspondent of the Chronicle. Telegraphing from the Dutch city, the correspondent says:

"I have just received reliable news from Germany that at present when all hope of success in peace intrigues must be abandoned and when naval and military preparations are complete, there will be a sudden, general and widespread return to the most violent warfare in which every shred of restraint will be thrown to the winds in an endeavor to restore Germany's [illegible] increasing military prestige at home and abroad.

"Large new armies and numerous new fleets of submarines will soon be ready to begin operations."

According to the Chronicle the Germans have assembled 300 submarines and 4,800,000 fresh troops. These new troops, it is said, are being massed upon the western front, while the German admiralty is preparing to put a complete circle of submarines around the British Isles.

TAX CASE APPEALED.

Lien of City on Remaindermen's Interest in Estate is Questioned.

In the supreme court of appeals yesterday a writ of error and supersedeas issued in the case of Jefferson C. Powers and others against the city of Richmond from a decree of the chancery court of the city of Richmond, in which Judge Moncure upheld the validity of the ordinance of the city of Richmond in a tax case. Judge Moncure held that the city could enforce its lien for taxes against the remaindermen's title to real estate.

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10:17 A. M. Daily—Mail train, coaches for Manassas, Warrenton, Orange, Lynchburg, Greensboro and Charlotte.

10:42 A. M. Daily—U. S. Fast Mail stops only for passengers to points at which scheduled to stop. Coaches and Sleeping cars to Atlanta, New Orleans, Birmingham. Sleeping car Salisbury to Ashville. Coaches for Charlottesville, Lynchburg, Danville Greensboro, and Charlotte.

4:22 P. M. Daily—Local for Charlottesville connecting at Calverton for Warrenton.

4:52 P. M. Daily—Birmingham Special. Sleeping cars between New York, Atlanta, Anniston, Birmingham, and Atlanta, Anniston, Birmingham. Through first class coaches between Washington, Atlanta and Birmingham, Dining car service, Tourist to California daily.

4:02 P. M.—Daily local for Harrisonburg and way Stations on Manassas branch. Pullman Buffet parlor cars.

5:32 P. M. Local for Warrenton.

7:17 P. M. Daily—Augusta Special Through train with sleeping cars to Charlotte, Columbia, Aiken and Augusta. Through Sleeping cars to Ashville.

10:02 P. M. Daily—Washington and Chattanooga Limited (via Lynchburg) First class coaches and sleeping cars to Roanoke, Knoxville, Chattanooga. Sleeper to New Orleans, Washington to Roanoke Dining car service.

11:02 P. M. Daily—New York and New Orleans Limited. All Pullman train. Club and Observation cars to New Orleans. Dining car service.

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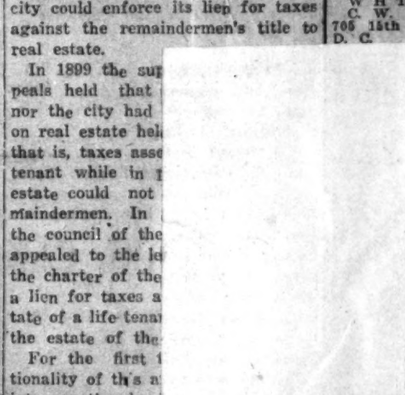

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LEGAL NOTICES

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA.

Edna F. Roy, Complainant vs. In Chancery. Rodolphe G. Roy, Defendant. Divorce.

Upon the written application of the complainant stating specifically the last known address and place of abode of the defendant, that the defendant is a non-resident of the state of Virginia and has not been found within the jurisdiction of the said State, the Clerk of the said Court doth grant the following order of publication, at the Courthouse of the said City of Alexandria, Virginia, in vacation of the said Court on this 26th. day of December, 1916.

The object of this suit is to obtain a divorce a vinculo matrimonii for the complainant, Edna F. Roy, from the defendant, Rodolphe G. Roy, on the grounds of wilful abandonment and desertion for a period of more than three years next preceding the filing of this suit, without legal justification or excuse, and for general relief.

And an affidavit having been made and filed that the defendant, Rodolphe G. Roy, is a non-resident of the state of Virginia, and has not been found within the jurisdiction of the said State, it is ordered that he do appear in the Clerk's Office of our said court within fifteen (15) days after the due publication of this order of publication and do what is necessary to protect his interests in this suit.

It is further ordered that a copy of this order of publication be published once a week for four successive weeks in the "Alexandria Gazette", a newspaper published in the said City of Alexandria, Virginia, and that a copy of this order be posted at the front door of the Courthouse of this Court on or before the next succeeding rule day of this Court after this order is entered, and that a copy of this order of publication shall be sent by mail by the Clerk of this Court to the defendant addressed to his last known address and place of abode, to-wit, Lewiston, state of Maine.

Entered by Nevell S. Greenaway, Clerk of the said Court in the Clerk's Office of Alexandria City, Virginia, this 26th day of December, 1916.

NEVELL S. GREENAWAY,
Clerk of the Circuit Court of the City of Alexandria, Virginia.
Edward L. Gies and Amos Crounse, P. Q. [illegible] 26, Jan. 6-13-20.

LEGAL NOTICES

At a Circuit Court of the City of Alexandria, continued and held at the Courthouse of said City on Friday, January 12th., 1917.

Present, Hon. J. B. T. Thornton, Judge.

Samuel Montgomery, Complainant, vs. Lotti W. Montgomery, Defendant; In Chancery.

An affidavit having been duly made, as required by law, that the defendant is a non-resident of the State of Virginia, and that she cannot be found within the jurisdiction of this State and the sergeant having made a return upon the original process or summons issued herein that the defendant is a non-resident of his bailwick, and application having been duly made in writing in open Court for an order of publication against the said defendant to appear and answer a bill in chancery, filed by the complainant against the defendant for an absolute divorce on the grounds of wilful and voluntary desertion and abandonment for more than three years prior to the institution of this suit, and an order of publication having been duly granted in open Court, it is therefore ordered that said defendant do appear here within 15 days after due publication hereof to answer the suit of complainant against the defendant for an absolute divorce on the grounds of wilful and voluntary desertion and abandonment for more than three years prior to the institution of this suit, and to do what may be necessary to protect her interest in this suit. And it is further ordered that a copy of this order be published once a week for four successive weeks in the Alexandria Gazette, a newspaper published in Alexandria City, Virginia, and that a copy of this order be sent by registered mail by the clerk of this Court to the last known place of address, residence and abode of defendant, to-wit: Reading, Pennsylvania, as stated in the application for this order of publication which shall be certified by the clerk of this court, and that a copy be posted at the front door of the courthouse of this court on or before the next rule day of this court.

A copy, Teste:

NEVELL S. GREENAWAY, Clerk.
ROBINSON MONCURE, P. Q.
Jan. 15-22-29-Feb. 5.

WANTED—Girl for office work; (temporary). The Barrett Press. 21-1t.

VIRGINIA

In the Clerk's Office of the Corporation Court of the City of Alexandria,on the 6th day of January,1917

C. Keith Carlin and H. Noel Garner, Committee of Louisa N. Pullin, vs. Benjamin W. Pullin, and Pullin, his wife; Olo O. Pullin, unmarried; Frank C. Pullin, and Carrie J. Pullin, his wife; Rebecca Fenwick, (nee Pullin) and Fenwick, her husband; Shirley Pullin, unmarried, and the said Louisa N. Pullin, an insane person.

Memo.—The object of this suit is to have decreed a sale of so much, and such parts of the real estate belonging to Louisa N. Pullin as will be sufficient for the payment of her debts; to have stated the accounts of the said C. Keith Carlin and H. Noel Garner, Committee, and for general relief.

It appearing by an affidavit filed in this cause that the defendants Rebecca Fenwick (nee Pullin) and Fenwick, her husband are non-residents of this State: It is Ordered, That said defendants appear here within fifteen days after due pulication of this order, and do what is necessary to protect their interests in this suit, and that a copy of this order be forthwith inserted in the Alexandria Gazette, a newspaper published in the City of Alexandria, once a week for four successive weeks, and posted at the front door of the Court House of this city.

A copy—Teste:
H. NOEL GARNER and C. KEITH CARLIN, P. Q.
NEVELL S. GREENAWAY, Clerk
Jan. 8-15-22-29.

VIRGINIA

In the Clerk's Office of the Corporation Court of the City of Alexandria, on the 8th day of January, 1917.

Benjamin T. Fendall, Complainant, vs. In Chancery; William E. Fendall and Nannie F. Tackett, Defendants.

Memo.—The object of this suit is to obtain a decree for the sale of the following property. Houses, Lots, 309 Prince street; No. 219 south Alfred street; N.E. Cor. Fairfax and Wilkes streets, all in the city of Alexandria, Virginia, and to recover rents and profits from said William E. Fendall.

It appearing by an affidavit filed in this case that the defendant, William E. Fendall is a non-resident of this State: It is Ordered, That said defendant appear here within fifteen days after due publication of this order, and do what is necessary to protect his interest in this suit, and that a copy of this order be forthwith inserted in the Alexandria Gazette, a newspaper published in the City of Alexandria, once a week for four successive weeks, and posted at the front door of the Court House of this city.

A copy—Teste:
JOHN M. JOHNSON, P. Q.
NEVELL S. GREENAWAY Clerk
Jan 8-15-22-29.

In the Circuit Court of the City of Alexandria, Virginia.

Viola Hemberger, Complainant, vs. Louis Hemberger, Defendant, In Chancery.

Upon the application in writing of complainant stating specifically the last known post office address or place of abode of the defendant, and it appearing to the Court that process has been issued and returned by the Sergeant of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, showing the defendant not being found within the jurisdiction of this Court, the Clerk of this Court, on the 24th day of January, 1917, doth grant the following order of publication:

The object of this suit is to obtain a divorce a vinculo matrimonii for the complainant, Viola Hemberger from the defendant, Louis Hemberger, on the ground of wilful desertion and abandonment for more than three years prior to the institution of this suit, and for such other, further and general relief as the case may require or to equity may seem meet; and an affidavit having been filed that the defendant, Louis Hemberger, is a non-resident of the State of Virginia, it is ordered that he do appear within fifteen days after due publication of this order of publication and do what is necessary to protect his interests in this suit.

And it is further ordered that a copy of said order of publication be published once a week for four successive weeks in the Alexandria Gazette, a newspaper published in the City of Alexandria, Virginia; that a copy of said order of publication be posted at the front door of the Court House of the Circuit Court of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, on or before the next succeeding rule day after this order is entered; and that a copy of said order of publication shall be sent by registered mail by the Clerk of this Court addressed to the said non-resident defendant, Louis Hemberger, at Congress Heights, D. C., his last known post office address or place of abode.

A copy Teste:
NEVELL S. GREENAWAY, Clerk.
LOUIS N. DUFFEY,
Counsel for Complainant.
Jan. 24-31-Feb 7-14.

At a Circuit Court of the City of Alexandria, continued and held at the Courthouse of said City, on Wednesday, January 24th., 1917.

Present, Hon. J. B. T. Thornton, Judge.

Mabel Lloyd Costin, Plaintiff, vs. William Custis Costin, Defendant.

Upon the application in writing of complainant stating specifically the last known place of abode of the defendant, and it appearing to the Court that process has been issued, and returned by the Sergeant of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, showing the defendant not being found within the jurisdiction of this Court, the Court doth grant the following order of publication.

The object of this suit is to obtain a divorce a vinculo matrimonii for the Complainant, Mabel Lloyd Costin, from the defendant William Custin Costin, on the ground of wilful desertion and abandonment for more than three years prior to the institution of this suit, and for such other, further and general relief as the case may require or to equity may seem meet; and an affidavit having been filed that the defendant William Custis Costin, is a non-resident of the State of Virginia, it is ordered that he do appear within fifteen days after due publication of this order of publication and do what is necessary to protect his interests in this suit.

And it is further ordered that a copy of said order of publication be published once a week for four successive weeks in the Alexandria Gazette, a newspaper published in the City of Alexandria, Virginia; that a copy of said order of publication be posted at the front door of the Courthouse of the Circuit Court of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, on or before the next succeeding rule day after this order is entered; and that a copy of said order of publication shall be sent by registered mail by the Clerk of this Court addressed to the said non-resident defendant William Custis Costin, at 1301 Wallach Place, Northwest, Washington, D. C., his last known place of abode.

A copy Teste:
NEVELL S. GREENAWAY, Clerk.
CRANDAL MACKEY, P. Q.
Jan. 24-31-Feb 7-14.

At a Circuit Court of the City of Alexandria, continued and held at the Courthouse of said City, on Wednesday, January 24th., 1917.

Present, Hon. J. B. T. Thornton, Judge.

Lillian Jones Buchholz, Complainant, vs. Bruno Buchholz, defendant, In Chancery.

Upon the application of the complainant, stating specifically the last known place of abode of the defendant, the Court on the 24th day of January, 1917, doth grant the following order of publication;

The object of this suit is to obtain a divorce a mensa et thoro, for the complainant from the defendant, on the ground of desertion and abandonment, and for general relief.

An affidavit having been made and filed that the defendant, Bruno Buchholz, has not been found within th jurisdiction of the State of Virginia, it is ordered that he do appear, within 15 days after due publication of said order of publication, and do what is necessary to protect his interests in this suit.

And it is further ordered that a copy of said order of publication be published once a week, for four successive weeks, in the Alexandria Gazette, a newspaper published in the City of Alexandria, State of Virginia, and that a copy be posted at the front door of the Courthouse of this Court, on or before the next succeeding rule day after this order is entered, and that a copy of said order of publication shall be mailed, by the Clerk of this Court, addressed to the said non-resident defendant, at General Delivery, Baltimore, Maryland, his last known place of address.

A copy Teste:
NEVELL S. GREENAWAY, Clerk.
R. C. L. Moncure and J. T. McHall P. Q.
Jan. 24-31-Feb 7-14.

MAY STATE PEACE TERMS

Kaiser Said to be Bent Upon Bringing Hostilities to a Close.

Amsterdam, Jan. 25.—There is a strong probability that President Wilson's peace address in the United States Senate will induce the Central Empires to state their peace terms.

"As far as the Teutonic governments and people are concerned, the Entente note to Mr. Wilson slammed the door of peace shut. But President Wilson has forced that door open again and put his foot between it and the jam. The central allies—above all, the Kaiser, who, with might and main is bent upon peace—are not likely to ignore the new opening."

These statements were made last night by a neutral diplomat known to be close to the councils of the Central Powers.

He added that he would not be surprised if between now and January 27— Emperor William's birthday—Germany, speaking for the new quadruple alliance, would issue a new message to the world setting forth in a clear, definite outline, on what conditions the alliance will make peace.

Such a message, the informant believes, is now being prepared, as a result of the important conference at Berlin of the German, Austro-Hungarian, Bulgarian and Turkish parliamentary heads and coincidental significant exchange of views between the leading statesmen of the four nations.

From another reliable source it was reported late last night that the German government, through Ambassador Gerard, already has taken steps with a view to inquiring as to how such a message would be received by the President—the central powers being particularly anxious to avoid the impression that they are "meddling" in a matter which while its effects concern the whole world, yet may be regarded as pertaining exclusively to the foreign policy of the United States.

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BIDS ON 16 INCH NAVY SHELLS

No Chance For Profit In Them Under Present Tests, Grace Says—Possible Explanation of the Prices Made by an English Firm Which Bids Under All American Manufacturers.

Speaking recently before the Terrapin Club of Philadelphia, Eugene G. Grace, President of the Bethlehem Steel Company, said in part:

In a peculiar sense Bethlehem Steel serves the American people.

For example, though we have been able to obtain in Europe almost any price, we have adhered, in our charges to the United States Government, to the basis of prices established before the war began.

We agreed—if the Government would abandon its plans for a Federal plant—to make armor for our Navy *at any price the Government itself might consider fair.*

Our ordnance plants are at the disposal of the nation at a fair operating cost, plus a small margin, thus saving the Government investment and depreciation.

One of the special needs of the new navy is sixteen-inch guns—guns sixty feet long and capable of hurtling a 2000 pound shell with such power and accuracy as to hit a 50 *foot square* target fifteen miles away.

We have undertaken voluntarily to construct, at a cost of $4,500,000, a plant fitted to build sixteen-inch guns.

Under no conceivable circumstances can orders which we may receive for this plant pay even a fair return on the investment.

Considerable comment has been made upon the fact that a British manufacturer recently bid less than American manufacturers for sixteen and fourteen-inch shells for the navy.

I am unable to state the basis upon which the English bid was made. It should be remembered, however, that this bid was for a specific shell, samples of which are being sent over for test—a test not yet made.

Two years ago we took an order for 2400 fourteen-inch armor-piercing shells at a contract price of $768,000, to be delivered within a certain time or we had to pay a large penalty.

The only specifications for making these shells are that they shall be of a certain size and must pierce armor-plate at a certain velocity on impact. It is impossible to foretell the exact conditions of the tests.

We had made large quantities of shells in the past which had been accepted. But in placing this particular order the Department altered the angle at which the tested shells must pierce armor-plate. The result, however, has been absolute inability on our part to produce in any quantity, shells which will meet these novel tests. In fact, we know of no process of projectile-making through which it is possible to produce in quantities shells which will conform to the requirements.

The result is that up to now on that contract of $768,000, we have put into actual operating expense $447,881., and have been penalized for non-delivery $495,744., a total of $943,625., with no receipts whatever.

Such was the experience in the light of which we were called upon recently to bid for sixteen-inch shells.

We bid on these shells at approximately the same rate per pound as that of a fourteen-inch shell contract of one year ago upon which the Government awarded contracts.

We have not the slightest idea what profit there will be in the making of these shells. We do not know that there will be any. There is no certainty that it would be possible for us to deliver a shell to meet the test.

For officers in the Navy to assume that any bid made under such conditions is "exorbitant" is utterly unfair.

We bid on the new battle-cruisers sums which Navy department experts, after examination of our books, found would yield a profit of less than ten per cent. We agreed to assume risks for increased costs of materials and labor, that made it possible that these contracts might yield no profit whatever.

The costs run beyond the amount appropriated by Congress on the basis of the cost estimates made a year ago.

And because shipbuilders could not alter the inexorable cost facts and reduce bids to early estimates of the Navy Department, the prices are called "exorbitant."

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FINAL DEBT HEARING.

Virginia And West Virginia Commissioners to Meet in Washington.

Within the next few days a conference of the Virginia debt commissioners with the commissioners representing the state of West Virginia will be held in the city of Washington. Such is the belief of members of the commission in Richmond, following the recent message of the governor of West Virginia to the legislature on the subject. There appears to have been a complete revulsion of sentiment in that state, without regard to party lines, the popular idea being to settle the debt once for all and to have the matter ended.

Many of the leading papers of that state have openly declared in favor of the payment as decreed by the supreme court of the United States, and the Virginia commissioners are hopeful of such a solution. There is now considerable correspondence on the subject passing between the representatives of the two states. There is a better feeling, a desire to get together and to adjust the matter at once and arrange for ending the vexatious and costly litigation. The United States supreme court has declined to open the case, so that the trouble is ended for all time and the decree must stand.

KILLS ANOTHER'S WIFE.

John T. Wilson Then Shoots Self in Head And May Die.

Baltimore, Jan. 25.—Crazed by jealousy, John T. Wilson, 33 years old, formerly of Paterson, N. J., shot and killed Mrs. Louise Magers, 34 years old, wife of Leopold Magers, in her home at 725 South Potomac street shortly before 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon and a few minutes later attempted to end his own life by shooting himself through the head.

Wilson is in a critical condition at St. Joseph's Hospital, where surgeons hold out little hope for his recovery. The bullet entered his skull, hit the brain and was taken out near the right eye.

Leopold Magers almost collapsed when he came home from work and found his wife dead. He denounced Wilson to the police. After shooting himself Wilson managed to crawl from the house and he was found at Potomac street and Foster avenue

Estimating the total German losses in the war at about 2,000,000, the National Zeitung of Berlin says that there are available sufficient forces to carry on the war for several years more. The newspaper says Germany still has at least 8,000,000 men to use on the front or for the navy.

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AUSTRIA TO SEIZE PROPERTY.

Paris Hears of Alleged Scheme to Avert Bankruptcy.

Paris, Jan. 25.—Austria has decided on an extraordinary measure to stave off "imminent bankruptcy," according to the Petit Journal's Geneva correspondent.

The correspondent says that a decree is about to be submitted to the Emperor whereby a fourth part of the real and personal property of all the subjects and inhabitants of the empire is to become the property of the state, in exchange for a kind of mortgage bond.

This bond, according to the correspondent, the state binds itself to redeem when the financial situation permits.

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